RESOLUTION

BY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT, ON BEHALF OF THE ATLANTA FIRE DEPARTMENT, \$499,244.78 IN EQUIPMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (HS) OFFICE OF DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS (ODP) EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT GRANT PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE RESPONSE TO WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION INCIDENTS.

WHEREAS, The Atlanta Fire Department has assumed the responsibility of providing the citizens of Atlanta with enhanced protection through the capability of a Hazardous Materials Team with the added responsibility of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, The Atlanta Fire Department through the HS-ODP Grant Programs to Hazardous Material Teams will obtain the necessary equipment and training to provide this service; and

WHEREAS, The Atlanta Fire Department anticipates participation in the HS-ODP Grant Programs that will provide equipment for budget years through 2005; and

WHEREAS, This equipment from these grants will be received for the budget years mentioned to enhance abilities to respond to Homeland Security, Weapons of Mass Destruction attacks and any Hazardous Materials Incident in the City of Atlanta.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Mayor of her designee allow the Atlanta Fire Department to accept equipment designated for its Hazardous Materials team from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Office of Domestic Preparedness Equipment Procurement Grant Programs through the State of Georgia's prime vendor program for the continued delivery of life saving services.

SECTION 2: That all resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.